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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, JANUARY 27TH, 1909.

A NOTABLE speech of more than passing interest was delivered the other day to a Korean audience by the Resident-General, Prince Ito. Its purpose was evidently to attract the sympathy and co-operation of the literati of whom the speaker's audience of over four hundred persons was mainly composed. There is still among the Koreans a considerable body of opposition to Japan's intervention in the affairs of the country. "The Insurrection" is still a standing headline in the Japanese-owned daily paper published at Seoul in English, and that Prince Ito has found it necessary to argue before an audience of educated Koreans, as he did in the speech we have alluded to, that passive resistance in influential circles is a force which has yet to be reckoned with. It would appear from the opening of the speech that the recent journey undertaken by the Emperor of Korea, accompanied by the Resident General, in the depth of winter, in order to view the conditions under which the people live had given rise to a suspicion that the journey was undertaken "for other motives at present concealed." The Prince doubt-

sufficient reply to the criticism enshrined in Mr. WEALE's book. Japan's proximity to the Korean market ensures for her the largest share in the trade, but as the last British consul's report shows a substantial advance in every line of British imports during the last five years, the British manufacturer and merchant have not much cause yet to regret that Korea has virtually become a province of Japan.

Her Excellency Lady Lugard's condition remains unchanged.

The Supreme Court resumes its sittings to-day after the Chinese New Year vacation.

The Chinese are gradually settling down to business, though it will be a few days yet ere a proper start is made.

To-day is the birthday of the Emperor William of Germany. His Majesty reaches the fiftieth year of his age.

A telegram to Tokyo from London states that the advance in silver has been due to large orders coming from China, and to purchases of the metal on behalf of China.

The new naval dock at Sasebo, which is reputed to be the largest yet constructed in the East, is now fast approaching completion and is expected to be opened shortly.

Captain C. W. Mead, who died suddenly last week at Manila, will be known to many in Hongkong and Canton as the former chief engineer of the Canton-Hankow railway.

Mr. Wolfe Barry, the son of the distinguished Consulting Engineer for the Canton-Kowloon Railway, made a survey of the British section on Monday. H. E. the Governor accompanied him.

A Cingalese stowaway, who was found on the s.s. *Chasee* after leaving Singapore, was charged before Mr. J. H. Kemp at the Magistracy yesterday and fined \$25 or six weeks' imprisonment

The marriage arranged between Mr. G. Julius Jackson, second son of Sir Thomas Jackson, Bart. (formerly of Hongkong) and Nesta Katherine, eldest daughter of Mrs. Hedworth Barclay, of Ascot, was to have taken place at St. Paul's Church, Knightsbridge, on Jan. 12.

It is gazetted that Miss E. Finch, an American, living at No. 43, Wakamatsu-cho, Yokohama, has been naturalized as a Japanese subject. It is said that she is the first foreign lady to be naturalized in Japan. Miss Finch belongs to the Independent Branch of the Evangelical Association of North America.

Most Shanghai residents say the *N. C. Daily News*, were surprised on awaking on the morning of the 20th inst., to find that there had been a heavy fall of snow during the night. Roofs, trees and roads were carpeted in white, and, doubtless, this accounted for many smiles on the faces of the Chinese who regarded this belated snowfall as a happy augury for the coming Chinese year.

The Japanese Training Squadron, consisting of the *Soga* and *Aso*, with a number of graduates from the Naval Engineering College on board, will leave Yokosuka towards the end of February on a training cruise. It will make its way to a point on the coast south of San Francisco, and then turn north in order to visit the Seattle Exhibition. On its return route it will visit Vancouver and Hawaii.

At the Magistracy yesterday before Mr. J. H. Kemp, Inspector Hutchins of the Building Authority's office prosecuted a contractor for improperly bonding two walls in a new building being erected at Shokotsan. Inspector Hutchins informed the Court that he had warned the foreman on the works at different times, but had not taken any notice of him. His Worship imposed a fine of \$200.

Relief crews for the destroyers on the China station, and other ratings for that station, are proceeding to Hongkong and Shanghai in the *Hawks*, which was to leave Portsmouth on January 9th. The following ratings are to be supplied from Devonport: Full crews for one destroyer of the *Charger* class and one of the *Quail* class; half-crews for the *Tarpon* and the gunboats *Widgeon*, *Woodlark*, *Snipe*, *Nightingale*, and *Kinshia*.

By kind permission of Major Evans and Officers, the Band of the 13th Rajputs, and Officers will play the following programme of music, at the King Edward Hotel, during dinner, on Thursday 28th inst. (weather permitting):—

Value "old and Silver."
Selection "British Air."
Song "Song of Ireland."
Selection "Gondoliers."
Selection "U. S. A. Patrol."
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God Save the King.

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God Save the King.

An enjoyable concert was given at the Seamen's Institute, Kowloon, on Monday, the programme having been arranged by Mrs. Clelland. Details are appended:—

Pianoforte solo Miss Robson
Song Selected Mr. Hill
Comic Song "Noisy Jimmy" Mr. Bridger
Song "When you speak to me" Miss Hoskins
Song "Stand up" Mr. Parkes
Song "The sweetest story ever told" Mr. Clelland
Song "My sweetie when a boy" Mr. Ayris
Song "Dreams" Mr. Parkes
Song "The Frenchman" Mr. Bridger
Duet "The Gipsy Countess" Mrs. Clelland and Mr. Ayris
Comic Song "I am going to sing a Song" Mr. Parkes

Song "May Morning" Miss Hill
Song "The Rosary" Miss Hoskins
Farcie "A pair of Lunatics" Capt. and Miss Parkes

Practically all the artists had to respond to encores and no little applause was awarded the clever performers in the farce.

The Army Council, in order to assist officers who are desirous of being selected for a course of study in Chinese or Japanese to obtain preliminary knowledge of either language, have decided to make a grant of £10 to any officer who qualifies in accordance with paragraph 55 of the Regulations relating to the study of foreign languages. The grant will be in addition to any rewards an officer may gain in the event of his being selected for a course in China or Japan.

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An interesting presentation took place at the Alice Memorial Hospital yesterday when the Rev. C. S. Turner, who 42 years ago laboured on behalf of the London Missionary Society in Hongkong and Canton, was made the recipient of a beautiful Chinese satin scroll on which Chinese characters set out the work he had done in connection with the anti-opium movement. The reverend gentleman was invalided home 36 years ago and is at present in the colony on a visit. In recognition of his services the Chinese churches and missions—nine in number—combined to do him honour, and the meeting, which took place in the chapel, was largely attended. Anti-opium speeches were delivered and hymns were sung.

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THE DISASTER TO THE
"REPUBLIC."

LONDON, January 26th: The "Baltic," with the passengers rescued from the "Republic" received an ovation on her arrival at New York.

The operators of the wireless telegraph of both ships, who worked continuously for sixty hours, were carried along on the shoulders of the cheering crowd.

HALF YEARLY DIVIDENDS.

The Directors of the Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Company Limited, will recommend at the forthcoming meeting the following appropriation:—Dividend of \$1.25 per share; \$25,000 be written off book value of steamers, wharves and properties; \$20,000 be placed to credit of depreciation and insurance fund; \$20,000 be placed to credit of special repairs fund and the balance of \$20,279.30 to be carried forward to new account.

At a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Shanghai Land Investment Co., held last week, a final dividend of six per cent. and a bonus of Ths. 2 per share, was declared for the half-year ending December 31, 1908.

ROBBERY AT THE CIRCUS.

Notwithstanding the passing of Chinese New Year, after which it was expected that things would settle down to their normal state, accounts of robberies are still being furnished the police. The latest is reported from Harmston's Circus at Causeway Bay. On Monday night, previous to entering the arena to go through her performance, Miss Florizell, the graceful contortionist, stripped herself of jewellery to the value of \$235. This she left in her dressing tent while going through her part. On returning she found that it had disappeared, and immediately notified the police. Investigations are being made.

HARMSTON'S CIRCUS.

The management were again rewarded last night by a crowded house and the audience and performers were from the commencement in sympathy with each other. The work of the trained tigers was received with much applause, due possibly to some extent to a feeling of relief on seeing the plucky trainer emerge uninjured. The contortionists, wire dancer, trapezists and clowns all introduced new turns and kept the pace going, while the trio of jockeys imparted new features in their equestrian acts and elicited the hearty appreciation of the spectators. The team of greyhounds displayed their wonderful jumping powers to advantage over very high hurdles and through hoops of fire, one plucky terrier jumping from the top of the tent into a blanket. The grand final thrill was the looping the loop. Nearly all the lights are extinguished and the cyclone comes down the incline and round the loop, leaving a trail of fire, caused by lime or some like substance attached to his machine. The effect is very weird and luckily not attended by any risks of fire. In a word the programme is most enjoyable.

There is a matinee performance to-day.

LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The silk ex. M.M. str. *Dumbarton* which left this port on the 2nd ult., was delivered in Lyons on the 23rd inst.

The J.-C.-J. Lijn str. *Quarta* left Batavia for this port on the 17th inst. p.m. and may be expected here on or about the 27th inst. a.m.

The H.-A. Linie str. *Barcelona* left Shanghai on 25th inst. p.m. and may be expected here on 28th inst. p.m.

The H.-A. Linie str. *Saxonia* left Singapore on 23rd inst. p.m. and may be expected here on Friday the 27th inst.

The M.M. str. *Salazar* with the French Mail of the 3rd inst., and mails from London of the 2nd inst., left Singapore on the 26th inst. at noon and may be expected to arrive here on Monday morning the 1st prox. and will leave for Shanghai and Japan on the same afternoon.

The str. *Gymnas* sailed from Fugate Sound for Hongkong via Japan Port on the 25th inst.

The str. *Saint Patrick* arrived at New York on 21st inst.

The N.Y.K. str. *Yeboshi Maru* (Bombay Line) left Bombay for this port via Singapore on the 17th inst., and is expected here on the 7th prox.

Hongkong & Neighbourhood N.E. winds, fresh, fair, cloudy

Formosa Channel Same as No. 1.

South coast of China between Same as No. 1.

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TELEGRAMS.

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[REUTTER'S SERVICE TO THE "HONGKONG
DAILY PRESS."] EVACUATION OF CUBA.

LONDON, January 25th.

The last detachment of the American Army of occupation has left Cuba.

THE SENSATIONAL AFFAIR
IN LONDON.

LONDON, January 25th.

The Tottenham affair has astounded London.

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By Mr. Harris—I judged by the general behaviour of the defendant that he was not sober.

Mr. A. Frazer, chief officer of the *Zafiro*, stated that the defendant went to his room at about one o'clock on the 15th instant, and was then under the influence of liquor. He wanted to talk to witness, but the latter ordered him out of his room and told him to go and sleep his liquor off. When witness was on deck at about 3:30 p.m. the quarter master told him that defendant had gone ashore with all his effects. On the following morning he returned to the ship, and was then under the influence of drink.

In cross-examination witness said the defendant was arrested on board. He reported the matter to the Harbour Master on the afternoon of the 15th. An entry of the desertion was made in the official log, but was not read to the defendant. The latter had performed his duties satisfactorily, except when under the influence of liquor. On one occasion, when the second officer was in hospital, the defendant did his work. Witness did not know that the third mate left any belongings on board.

In answer to his Worship, witness said he found the defendant on board on the day of sailing. He had to go ashore with him to the Water Police Station to charge him, but the inspector declined to take the charge because the defendant was in liquor.

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MARINA ZAMBOANGA PORT		
DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND,		
COOKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNS-		
VILLE BRISBANE, SYDNEY,	"CHANGSHA"	On 30th Jan., 4 P.M.
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NEW ZEALAND, ADELAIDE,		
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SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	"YUENSANG"
MANILA	Friday, 29th Jan., 4 P.M.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	"NAMSANG"
MANILA	Thursday, 4th Febr., Noon.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	"SUISANG"
MANILA	Thursday, 4th Febr., 4 P.M.
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TYPWRITING BY AIR POWER—SIMPLIFIED METALPLATING—A PROBLEM OF PHOTOGRAPHY—WHAT IS A PERENNIAL—A NEW PIANO—RISK OF BEING BURIED ALIVE—MUSICAL SOUNDS ON A SCREEN—HOW THE NORTH POLE VIBRATES.

Sixty-four recently shown at the Berlin Exhibition of Inventions was the compressed air typewriter, which is without springs and lever to wear out and break, and has 80 per cent less parts than the ordinary lever machine. The horizontal type-wheel, with letters sliding radially outward, rotates constantly around a vertical shaft. Below the type-wheel, and rotating with it, is a vane, which has a channel taking air from the source of supply and branching to the diaphragm chamber inside the type-wheel. In its rotation the vane passes around the inner periphery of a fixed ring which has openings connected by tubes to the keys. The air from the rotating vane normally passes through these openings and escapes from the keys, but when the finger covers the aperture in the key, the air is forced back into the tube, and the pressure produced as the vane passes the closed tube pushes out the diaphragm, pressing the letter opposite against the paper on the plates. Only a touch of the finger is necessary, the air doing the work, printing the character in the space of a second. While the type-wheel is operating as usual, an automatic duplicating attachment can be made to perform a paper pattern, and as this passed over the keyboard the performances cause the machine to reproduce the writing, any number of successive copies being possible. An electric or water motor gives compressed air for a few cents a day.

The new method by which a Berlin company plates iron and other metals with lead, zinc, tin and their alloys seems to be remarkably simple and effective. After the object to be coated is thoroughly cleaned, the finely pulverized plating metal mixed with a suitable liquid, is applied as a paint, which is dried and then fused by a gas-flame or in a furnace. A pound of the metal paint gives an even, rust-proof coating for nearly 100 feet of old or new surface.

Photography in the dark offers an interesting field for the inquisitive amateur. In the experiments of Dr. Russel, sensitive plates have been strongly impressed in total darkness when placed near or in contact with leaves, flowers, seeds, stems and tubes of many plants, the exposure varying from a few minutes to more than 18 hours, and action being quickened by heat up to 150 deg. F. Even leaves that had been dried between blotting paper for three years gave a faint impression. Sap is very active in affecting the plates, as is also the oil, oil of nuts especially on oxidation. Castor oil, however, is inactive even after months of exposure to air, and no effect is produced by some plant parts—such as the cotyledons of beans and the outer envelopes of some fruits—nor by such substances as starch, cellulose, gum, sugar, pitch and pollen. That the phenomena are not due to radioactivity has been proven by the fact that interposing a sheet of glass or mica prevents all action. The effects are ascribed by Dr. Russel to hydrogen peroxide—or dioxide—which many investigators have found to be one of the first products of plant growth, and generated by turpentine and other resins, and is so active that one part in a million parts of water affects a photographic plate in 24 hours in the dark.

By his new method of wheat-farming, Gen. Levitsky, of the Russian army, claims to produce an enormous yield of grain and unusually stout straw, and believes that he has converted the plant into a perennial. He simply sows single grains at the bottom of conical pits 12 to 18 inches deep. The seed is barely covered with earth, and as the leaf appears above ground it is just covered, the operation being repeated five or six times, until the pit is full. In this way as many as 19,683 shoots have been obtained from one grain.

The piano is improved and its sound increased, according to the claim of J. Cadenbach, a German inventor, by the plan of letting wooden cups into the back of the sounding board.

In declaring that cases of premature burial are by no means so rare as is commonly supposed, Dr. J. Brindley James, a British physician, probably does not voice the belief or experience of medical men in general. Thirteen different tests to show whether death has really occurred are given by Dr. James, and he advises that, after these have been applied, burial be delayed until actual decomposition has begun. One of the tests is the injection of fluorescein, which turns the skin a deep yellow and the eyes an emerald green, if life is still present. Shock by electricity, applying hot sealing-wax and injecting ammonia, are other means taken to bring out life indications, and examination with X-rays shows a clearly defined shadow of the heart only when that organ is motionless. Even cessation of breathing and stoppage of the heart, however, are not absolute proof of death. Cases in support of this statement are cited, and it seems to be very likely to be found true in apparent death from drowning.

The acoustic oscillograph, the new device of an English inventor, gives an audience a visible representation of the music they are hearing. A small mirror is oscillated by the vibration of a phonograph diaphragm, and reflects a beam of light to another mirror, which, rotating uniformly, throws it upon a screen. The light ray, thus projected, gives on the screen a luminous curve, constantly changing to correspond with the musical sounds.

For a number of years the oscillation of the earth's axis has been watched at special observatories at half a dozen places along the parallel of 39 deg. 8' north latitude. A report made by Th. Albrecht shows that since 1900 the greatest shifting of the pole has been about 40 feet, the vibration having been very slight in 1900, but increasing considerably by 1903-4, reaching a second minimum about 1905-7, and being now near another maximum.

A HARLEY-STREET SPECIALIST
ON "SUFFRAGETISM."

The following letter appears in a recent issue of *The Times* under the heading of "Teratism".

Sir—There is a psychology in suffragetism. It was very timely of Mr. Shipley to call attention to the mental phenomena of explosiveness which we have recently witnessed in connection with this movement, and the scientific letter of "Physiologist" is an able and confirmatory appendix to the views enunciated by Dr. Shipley.

But, Sir, I think that we must go a little further and view the developments of these modern fanatics as being akin to the explosive forces of epilepsy. Perverted or undeveloped sexualism no doubt is, as "Physiologist" points out, responsible for much of the suffragette tactics, but it must be remembered that many of their leaders are not only married women but are also mothers of families.

There is no insanity in the idea of votes for women, but there may be insanity engendered by the strenuous contemplation of the means by which the idea is to be attained, and these self-made catenary martyrs are best viewed as examples of the condition of reduction to monotheism which is the local sign of ancient and modern revivalism. The gradual dispersion of energy connotes the safe relationship of the organism to its environment, but the accumulations of the irregular discharge of energy—fostered or hindered as they may be by opposition—lead to brain-storms, which are subversive of the self and its altruistic obligations. It is not given to all women to relieve their energy by ordinary means, and when the energy, or "force of conviction," takes the form of brooding on imagined, or even real, wrongs it sets up what is called psychologically, a state of mono-theism which absorbs all the other faculties in its self-aggrandisement, and finally expends itself in the impulsive attempt to realize its own ends, regardless, at times scarcely conscious even, of the injury it does to its own cause and to others.

One great feature in these social and political cataclysms is their periodicity, and this rhythmical accentuation is best met by holding ourselves in patience until the wave of enthusiasm has swept past, taking in the meantime such preventive measures as may be necessary for our own protection, and calmly wondering what form the next outburst will take.

The cult of any particular idea is apt to become excessive, and when it is propagated by a master in the art of propaganda it is, especially if of a highly emotional character, sure to attract devotees who give themselves up unreservedly to its worship. Hence, tarantism in some shape must always be with us, and whether it takes the form of fanatical dancing, of religious revival, of blatant suffragetism, or of running amok in impulsive violence, it must be regarded as closely allied to, if it is not actually, a temporary mental alienation. I have seen several of these social crises, and in each of them cases of well-marked insanity; and if it can only be realized that these violent outbursts of emotional zeal often proceed from overwrought introspection upon ideas, which may possibly have some germs of truth and right in them, we shall not only have a more correct view of their real nature, but perhaps also a possible means of curing and stopping the agitation, a method more potent than imprisonment or sympathy with any form of "martyrdom"—and that method is to let all understand that emotional stress leads to monotheism, and through it to impulses and to acts which necessitate not the prison, but the quiet and uninteresting seclusion of the lunatic asylum.

I am, Sir, yours obediently,
T. CLAYE SHAW, M.D., F.R.C.P., Emeritus
Lecturer on Psychological Medicine,
St. Bartholomew's Hospital.
30, Harley-street, W., December 26.

A CASE FOR THE PSYCHOLOGICAL
RESEARCH SOCIETY.

The following letter appears in a recent issue of *The Times*.

Sir.—The following may be considered worthy of record; the circumstances are literally accurate:

Last evening between 4 and 5 the housekeeper here came in and said, "Come and see Dr. Astley" (the vicar of this parish). "See Dr. Astley?" I said. "Yes, Dr. Astley."

"She took me into the study and asked me to look out of the window. I glanced over the lawn and saw nothing. "You are looking in the wrong direction; look there."

And there I saw the full presentation of a clergyman with a cushion collar gleaming white in the gathering darkness (about 4.40). I turned and looked behind me. "It must be a reflection of myself," I said. That, however, was impossible.

I looked again more carefully. The vision represented a clergyman sitting at a table or desk, with books before him. I noticed also a gold chain across his waistcoat (this is how Dr. Astley, the vicar here, wore it). I had three or four views, and then went outside and looked at the supposed wall against which the figure was sitting. It was really an inlet or alcove, and the housekeeper said, the vicar used to sit and read in the summer time.

Dr. Astley is vicar of this parish, and left England for Algeria, on December 10. He and his wife were in the railway accident in a tunnel, reported, no doubt, by you. I had a letter from the chaplain at Algiers giving details. If you think the above worthy of publication you may make any use you like of it. I have communicated with no other paper.

E. BROCK, Acting Vicar.
East Budham Vicarage, King's Lynn, Dec. 27.

LORD PLUNKET ON INDIA AND
THE COLONIES.

The Governor of New Zealand, speaking at a college prize distribution at Wellington, referred to the lack of interest which the Colonies took in India. Those parts of the Empire which were not self-governing were insufficiently considered by the self-governing Colonies. He had even heard it seriously discussed whether India from the colonial point of view was not rather a drag. Personally he thought that there was nothing more magnificent about the Empire than British rule in India. Some of the talk about the present state of affairs was perfectly nonsensical. India was not considered sufficiently, even at home.

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ARRIVALS.

BOURBON, French str., 997. Le Ball, 26th Jan.
Saigon 21st Jan., Rice—hines.
ESTAVON, British str., 2728. R. Wolfenden,
26th January—Shanghai 23rd January—
McGrigor Bros. & Co.
HAIRON, British str., 616. J. W. Evans, 26th
January—Swatow 25th January, General
—Douglas, Lapraik & Co.
KAMO MARU, Japanese str., 5,284. F. L. Sommer,
25th Jan.—Japan via Shanghai 20th Jan.,
General—Nippon Yusen Kisha.
P. E. FRIEDLICH, German str., 5,001. E.
Mulch, 26th Jan.—Yokohama 16th Jan.,
General—Meloher & Co.
PROTECTOR, Danish str., 145. Neilsen, 25th
Jan.—Haihung 23rd January—Augard,
Thorson & Co.
SHINI MARU, Japanese str., 1,388. K. Tomi-
cawa, 25th January—Moto 19th January,
General—Ataka.
SUNDA, British str., 2,986. G. M. Montford,
26th Jan.—Yokohama 11th Jan., General
—P. O. S. N. Co.
TELEMACHUS, Brit. str., 1,340. J. Williamson,
Jan.—Swatow 20th Jan., Rice and General
—Chinese.
TENGANG, British str., 1,045. Anderson, 26th
Jan.—Wu-ku and Chinkiang 21st January,
Rice—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
YOCHOW, British str., 1,261. Brown, 26th Jan.
—Wu-ku 21st January, Rice—Butterfield
& Swire.
ZAFIRO, British str., 1,620. R. Rodger, 25th
January—Manila 23rd January, General—
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Helene, German str., for Quinhon.
Kittsberg, German str., for Pakhoi.
Sunda, British str., for Singapore.
Tengang, British str., for Canton.
Yochow, British str., for Canton.

DEPARTURES.

26th January.
ASCANIA, German str., for Canton.
BENVOORDE, British str., for London.
DALIN MARU, Japanese str., for Swatow.
HAICHING, British str., for Swatow.
HINSANG, British str., for Canton.
KAMO MARU, Jap. str., for Singapore.
KLANGPING, Chinese str., for Canton.
KOBISCHANG, German str., for Bangkok.
PATROCLUS, British str., for Shanghai.
PELEUS, British str., for London.
PROSPER, Norwegian str., for Canton.
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YETOROFU MARU, Jap. str., for Singapore.

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January 26th.
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SECTIONS.

1 From Green Island to the Harbour Master's.

2 From Harbour Master's to Blake Pier.

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4 From Naval Yard to East Point.

DESTINATION	VEHICLE'S NAME	FLAG & BIG	BERTH	CAPTAIN	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO	TO BE DESPATCHED
LONDON, ANTWERP & HAMBURG	CARNARVONSHIRE	Brit. str.	—	W. Hayward, E.N.E.	SHEWAN, TOME'S & CO.	End of January.
LONDON & VIA USUAL PORTS OF CALL.	DEVANHA	Brit. str.	k. w.	P. A. S. N. C.	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 6th Feb., at Noon.
BREMEN & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	ANDALOUA	Ger. str.	k. w.	P. A. S. N. C.	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 27th Febr.
HARVE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	BALCONIA	Ger. str.	k. w.	P. A. S. N. C.	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 30th Inst.
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ROTTERDAM, BREMEN & HAMBURG, &c.	GYEDDO	Dan. str.	k. w.	P. A. S. N. C.	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 26th Febr.
MARSEILLE, HAVRE & COPENHAGEN	SYDNEY	Fr. str.	k. w.	P. A. S. N. C.	MELCHERS & CO.	Middle of February.
MARSEILLE, &c., VIA PORTS OF CALL	KAWACHI MARU	Jap. str.	k. w.	P. A. S. N. C.	MESSEGEURS MARITIMES	On 2nd Febr., at 1 P.M.
MARSEILLE, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	SANUKI MARU	Brit. str.	k. w.	P. A. S. N. C.	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 3rd Febr., at D'light.
MARESIELLES & LONDON VIA BOMBAY	MACEDONIA	Jap. str.	k. w.	P. A. S. N. C.	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 17th Febr., at D'light.
GENOA, MARSEILLE, LONDON, & ANTWERP, &c.	MISHIMA MARU	Brit. str.	k. w.	P. A. S. N. C.	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 20th March.
NAPLES, GENOA, ALGIERS, GIBRALTAR & C.	P. E. FRIEDRICH	Ger. str.	k. w.	P. A. S. N. C.	MELCHERS & CO.	On 10th Febr.
TRISTRADE & VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	PRINZESS ALICE	Ger. str.	k. w.	P. A. S. N. C.	MELCHERS & CO.	To-day, at Noon.
NEW YORK	SILESIA	Aust. str.	k. w.	P. A. S. N. C.	MELCHERS & CO.	On 10th March.
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VICTORIA, B.C. & SEATTLE VIA SHANGHAI, &c.	MONTEAGLE	Seit. str.	—	P. A. S. N. C.	CANADIAN PACIFIC E. CO.	On 2nd March, at Noon.
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AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA MANILA	TAIWAN	Brit. str.	1 m.	P. A. S. N. C.	DODWELL & CO., LTD.	On 28th Febr., at 4 P.M.
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SHANGHAI VIA SWATOW & AMOY	BRITANNIA	Brit. str.	2 h.	P. A. S. N. C.	MESSEGERIES MARITIMES	On 4th Febr.
TAMSUI VIA SWATOW & AMOY	BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	Brit. str.	2 h.	P. A. S. N. C.	MESSEGERIES MARITIMES	On 4th Febr.
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SWATOW	NAMRANG	Brit. str.	2 h.	P. A. S. N. C.	MESSEGERIES MARITIMES	On 4th Febr.
SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHEW	DORTMUND	Brit. str.	2 h.	P. A. S. N. C.	MESSEGERIES MARITIMES	On 4th Febr.
MANILA	CATHAY	Brit. str.	2 h.	P. A. S. N. C.	MESSEGERIES MARITIMES	On 4th Febr.
KUDAT & SANDAKAN	TIATIATAP	Brit. str.	2 h.	P. A. S. N. C.	MESSEGERIES MARITIMES	On 4th Febr.
BOMBAY VIA SINGAPORE & COLOMBO	SHOSHO MARU	Jap. str.	2 h.	P. A. S. N. C.	MESSEGERIES MARITIMES	On 4th Febr.
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SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	YUENSANG	Brit. str.	2 h.	P. A. S. N. C.	MESSEGERIES MARITIMES	On 4th Febr.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	ZAPICO	Brit. str.	2 h.	P. A. S. N. C.	MESSEGERIES MARITIMES	On 4th Febr.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	TAMING	Brit. str.	2 h.	P. A. S. N. C.	MESSEGERIES	

LOCAL SPORT.

FOOTBALL NOTES.

The Hongkong Club officials have not had the courage to reply to my pertinent questions in last week's notes. However, the Shanghai local papers have saved them the trouble, a new view of the matter being given in a short article headed "Interport Disappointment." Now this is what I expected to hear sooner or later. The Club thought they were the only authority on football. In this they are entirely mistaken. It is now the duty of the League secretary to write to the Rev. R. O. Winning of the Shanghai Football Club and explain that the Footballers of Hongkong never had the chance to send a team because the Hongkong Club kept matters in their own hands and never asked anybody but Club members, with the result well known. I am glad to hear that the Club have realised their mistake in not entering the Hongkong League. I am told on good authority that they certainly intend to go in next season. The Committee will welcome them, because, despite their mistakes, they are good sportsmen.

The League games on Saturday were completed satisfactorily. The winners scored 14 goals and had none scored against them. There were two surprises—the wide margins by which the R.G.A. suffered defeat at the hands of the Buffs and the splendid win of Y.M.C.A. over the R.E.—The Saints were assisted by Gregory and Hamilton, and their value as defenders was clearly demonstrated. The R.E. forwards were strong, but found Hamilton, Gregory, and McCubbin three of the keenest defenders in this colony. The Saints are still weak in attack, but I hear the front string will be considerably strengthened before the second round of the Shield, and I would not be surprised to see them in the Final. The Buffs are sure to be the winners of the *Hongkong Daily Press* Cup. The Engineers are off colour at present, although they were good on Saturday. Rough play will not win matches and, from what I saw of Saturday's game, it is useless with a team like Y.M.C.A. who seem quite equal to that sort of business.

The Buffs v. R.G.A. game drew a large crowd of spectators who were greatly disappointed at the result. Everyone expected to see a closely contested game but the Buffs came out showing plenty of vigour and judgment, while the R.G.A. showed poor form. The Buffs were superior in every department. They are a wonderfully balanced team—Brewster at forward is clear, and Taylor and Dore are also consistent players. This was the second meeting on the League engagements, and I quite expected to see a draw. The Buffs have only to maintain their present form and the Shield will be theirs also.

The R.G.A. players were like a lot of corks at sea. They did not seem to know where they were or what they were doing. This is not usual with them. As a rule they are well balanced. Perhaps we shall see better form at the next meeting, that is in the second round of Shield ties.

The R.A.M.C. inflicted a heavy defeat on the Lusitano Club. Of course the medicals have a greatly improved team to what turned out at the beginning of the season. They will get more points this season.

The B.O.C. v. Naval Yard had not any League engagements, the first round of the Shield occupying their time. The Yards won by three clear goals and got into the second round. The B.O.C. played up well and gave the Naval Yard an anxious time. Now the B.O.C. have said good-bye to the Shield tie, they should use all their energy to improve their position in the League. They can do with a little practice.

REFEREE.

CRICKET NOTES.

Seldom has Hongkong seen such a splendid cricket season. Centuries are a weekly occurrence and hat-tricks have been secured by quite a number of trundlers. Nor has cricket been confined to any particular section of the community, but on the contrary has been taken up enthusiastically by the Army, Navy, and Civil Service, and there is hardly a British firm in the Colony that has not a cricketer or two among its employees.

The Army and Navy played a match between representative teams on Wednesday and Thursday and with their usual generosity dispensed tea and music to their numerous friends. Big scoring was the order of both days. The Rev. Maundrell, going in first wicket for the Navy made the record score of 260 not out, Mr. Oliver being next best for the side with 68. The innings closed for 418. The Army replied by putting up 434, Lt. Anderson 110 (second century this season) and Bagnall 84, being the best among a number of big scores. Mullenex secured six wickets for the Navy and Baird five for the Army.

On Friday, and Saturday the annual match between the Hongkong Club and United Services resulted in a win for the Services by an innings and 29 runs.

Lanning, Pearce and H. Hancock made good scores in both innings, but without Dick Hancock and one or two more who were away the Club are not strong enough to compete against the Services as at present constituted. Capt. Beasley scored 121, Baird 80, Garrett 75, Lt. Anderson again putting up a useful 56. Claxton for the club secured the best average five wickets for 75—quite a new departure for Claxton by the way. For the services Capt. Garnett and Baird and Lt. Anderson and Bagnall shared the bowling honours—quite a strong combination for any team to be up against.

In the League competition Kowloon beat the Police at Kowloon by 220 to 133. For the winning side Dixon's 58, Robinson's 54 and Mead's 68 not out were the best scores, and for the losers Pitt and Ogg were the only bats to score over 20. Kent secured five wickets for 64 and Edwards three for 38. For Kowloon Dixon was best with seven wickets for 41.

Telegraphs beat Police the next day very easily. They played two new-comers who were both effective in their special department of play, Oliver scoring 27 and Warburton securing six wickets in four overs for 18 runs. On the Police side Edwards made 25 and eight others had duck's eggs—rather a startling reversal of affairs to that at the previous match against the same opponents on which occasion the officers of the law won with something to spare.

Civil Service had an easy win against the R.G.A. It is to be regretted that the Club entice players from League Cricket whenever an opportunity offers. Had R.G.A. played Capts. Bagnall, Besley and Garnett on Saturday the game would have been an even one. As it was, it resulted in practically a walk over, R.G.A. only scoring 64. Brett took four wickets for 30 and Reed four for 16. Civil Service got the necessary runs with the loss of three wickets. Craigengower secured the opening of their new pavilion by inflicting a rather humiliating defeat on Kowloon. The home team went to the wickets and compiled the small score of 85, Battilwara, in a Hughie Trumble, bowling underhand lots, and Osman securing five wickets each, and were responsible for Kowloon scoring 69 only.

Craigengower are to be congratulated on the new pavilion. We note with pleasure that the Civil Service are close up with another substantial erection. If the Football Club were to follow suit, it would add considerably to the attractiveness of the Valley both from a picturesque and utilitarian standpoint.

The matches on the board for next Saturday are:

H.K. "A"	v.	Kowloon
H.K. "B"	v.	R.G.A.
Craigengower	v.	Telegraphs
Civil Service	v.	Police

Hongkong "A" and "B" should win their matches and the Civil Service theirs. Craigengower and Telegraphs will have a good game. Telegraphs should make the most of their opportunities, as it is rumoured Peate "the speed merchant" leaves in a few weeks for pastures new. Telegraphs are lucky in that respect. Out of staff of about 13 they have a Cricket eleven and when one drops out, another usually steps in from abroad to fill the gap. Day replaced Wishart, now Oliver replaces Peate.

UMPIRE.

HONGKONG FOOTBALL SHIELD.

MOSLEM E.C. V. "BEDFORD."

The match in the first round of the Shield competition between the Moslem Recreation Club and H.M.S. Bedford will be played on the Naval ground on Saturday; kick off at 4 p.m.

The H.K.F.C. play Royal Engineers on the Club ground on the same afternoon.

LEAGUE FOOTBALL.

The engagements for Saturday are:

Naval Yard v. B.O.C.	on Naval ground at 2.30 p.m.	Gunner Marsh, referee.
R.G.A. v. R.A.M.C.	on Military ground at 2.30 p.m.	Mr. Binnyard, referee.
Y.M.C.A. v. Lusitanos	on Military ground at 4 p.m.	Corporal Edwards, referee.

YACHTING.

The "At Home" and ladies' race arranged for Saturday afternoon by the Yacht owners of the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club has been postponed.

THE PARADISE OF LABOUR.

Australia is regarded by the rest of the world as a sort of working man's paradise, where the navy of to-day is the Prime Minister of tomorrow, and even if he is not going to hold Ministerial office to-morrow, he is going to double his wages by the mere formality of telling his employer to pay him double. That is the popular idea of Australia as she is seen from outside. Joined to that idea is another, that the Australian working man knows a good thing when he sees it. He knows that Australia is a good thing for him. He is able to secure all these priceless benefits referred to. He is lord of Australia, and he means to remain lord. Therefore, he makes a close corporation of the Commonwealth, and hangs out notices all round his continent that no other working man from anywhere need apply. The British labourer has read of the convict days, of triangles and chain gangs, and fierce dogs which guarded the prisons. These facts are the gleams of light which flash through the darkness of his general ignorance about Australia. He is sure that if he comes to Australia the Labour party will call him a prohibited immigrant or a stowaway, or some other opprobrious term, and condemn him to all sorts of pains and penalties. He believes that the Labour party burnt the six letters at the stake or crushed them to death under piles of felt hats. He is not sure about the particular torture, or what was actually done, but he knows that it was enough to convince every sane person that Australia is a good place to keep away from. It is the paradise of the working man who is in it, and he takes particular care to make it the hottest of infernos for any working man who may happen along from outside. That is an outside description of Australia. We who are inside know how absurd it is. Australia is a real good place for the working man, but it is not a paradise by any means—not all of it. There is one State where the Labour party has been in the ascendant for years, and that State, if any State, can be, should be the working man's paradise. It is South Australia—Melbourne Punct.

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JAPAN.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

TOKYO, Jan. 15.

PURGING THE BUSINESS LIFE.

"While the Japanese people are agreed in the desire of making Bushido, the long-tryed code of honour of military life, the standard of conduct for all conditions of people, the business world, which should make credit its life, honesty its best policy, and steadiness its basic virtue, is run on principles contrary to the national resolution. The business atmosphere should be purged of its basci and filled with the spirit of faithfulness and sense of responsibility which characterised the soldiers of old."—Thus the *Kokinshu*, expressing in a brief, pungent sentence what every Tokyo journal has been saying in the past few days in their desire to voice the indignation that is felt at the revelations of mismanagement and corruption among the directors of the Dai Nippon Sugar Manufacturing Co.

BIG DIVIDEND ON BAD BUSINESS.

The Dai Nippon Seito Kaisha is the leading concern of its kind, and up to recently believed to be one of the best investments in the country. Some months ago two of the directors, both large shareholders, placed their holdings on the market, realising large profits. This treacherous act towards their own company gradually came to be known, with the result that a state of affairs is now revealed, which the whole press of the country is hoping will result in a thorough investigation by the authorities, the punishment of the guilty, and most important of all, the awakening of the common shareholder to his privileges and duties under the law. Quite recently this sugar company paid the usual dividend of 15 per cent, whereas it was not in a position to pay one per cent, being heavily in debt, its shares hypothecated, and having large stocks of unsold material on hand. It stands doubly revealed before the public, if the term may be used, for in the coming of the Diet the House was to consider a proposal for the monopoly of the sugar industry, by which this corrupt company would have derived a large profit. This proposal was engineered by the directors of the company.

POSITION OF THE COMPANY.

The present state of affairs was brought about shortly after the amalgamation of three companies, the Dai Nippon in Tokyo, a company in Osaka and the Dairi Company in Moji, their subscribed capital being 14 millions, and paid up to-day 8,400,000 yen. For months, it appears, certain directors had had things their own way, deceiving the president of the company who, as is frequently the case, was a man of scholastic attainments, but of no business experience, and crowning their course of deception by making a call on new shares and actually paying part of this for the 15 per cent dividend. The true state of affairs was brought to light by an Osaka auditor, who joined the company as the result of amalgamation. Finally the Mita, Bishi, Mitsui and other interested concerns took the investigation up, the net result of which is that the company has lost between four and five million yen; that it has debentures to the amount of seven millions; that its floating capital is three millions, the greater part of which is borrowed; and that considerable sums are owing for material. The papers further allege that the company owes some millions in the form of customs dues and that the Treasury holds the company's stock as security, stock that is worth only half of what it was when the Treasury accepted it. If the Government demanded payment, bankruptcy would follow.

EVILS OF THE PUBLIC COMPANY SYSTEM.

The great businesses of this country are run upon two systems. First come the extensive family concerns, such as the Mita, Sumitomo, Mitsubishi, Bishi, &c., which, established in feudal times, continue to flourish increasingly, controlled by the various members of the family who are subject to family rules and disciplines as of old. Second is the public company. This is a new growth, and, like constitutional government, not by any means digested or appreciated by the Japanese people. It may be said with truth that the corruption which exists in public companies and in political circles is entirely due to the indifference of shareholders and electors. The education and environment of a thousand years cannot be swept away by the promulgation of a constitution. Directors and politicians receive their mandate from shareholders and people and are then left to themselves, and being themselves, with few exceptions, unfit for the work of company directors or legislators and not over-scrupulous, the result is corruption and mismanagement. It is quite commonly the case in Tokyo that companies are headed by Dr. This and Dr. That, gentlemen of scholastic or scientific training and dubious men of integrity, but who are quite unfit to deal with the affairs of the company, much less to rub shoulders with the denizen of Kabuto-cho, the local Capel Court. There is little doubt that these doctors and professors are secured with much the same end in view as the scheming company promoter in London secures a title to sit at the head of his board—a figure-head in reality and condone him to all sorts of pains and penalties. He believes that the Labour party burnt the six letters at the stake or crushed them to death under piles of felt hats. He is not sure about the particular torture, or what was actually done, but he knows that it was enough to convince every sane person that Australia is a good place to keep away from. It is the paradise of the working man who is in it, and he takes particular care to make it the hottest of infernos for any working man who may happen along from outside. That is an outside description of Australia. We who are inside know how absurd it is. Australia is a real good place for the working man, but it is not a paradise by any means—not all of it. There is one State where the Labour party has been in the ascendant for years, and that State, if any State, can be, should be the working man's paradise. It is South Australia—Melbourne Punct.

THRIFT AND POVERTY.

I know that many people, when they read speeches about thrift, say—"How can the poor be thrifty? They have nothing to be thrifty upon." Now the exact reverse of the case is true. Strangely enough, in the report which is before us to-day we have proof to the contrary that, by the experience of Edinburgh, of Glasgow, and of Manchester—I think these are the cases mentioned—it has been found that periods of stress, and not periods of prosperity, have been the most favourable for thrift. But the case of Scotland, your own country, is a much more emphatic illustration of this than any particular savings bank, in however large a town it may be situated in Scotland. The 16th century, the time of perhaps her direst poverty—at any rate, as compared with other countries in the world—was the period of our greatest thrift. One hundred and twenty years ago there were probably not more than £2,500,000 or £3,000,000 of current coin in the whole of Scotland. When you compare that with £14,000,000 of deposits in the two savings banks of Edinburgh and Glasgow you may arrive at some computation as to the difference of prosperity between the Scotland of to-day and the Scotland of that time. But that was the time of Scotland's greatest thrift. It was the time when her whole current coinage did not amount, it is calculated, to £300,000; so much so, that in those days we read that the one great object of the Scottish peasant was thrift, not for the sake of livelihood, but for the sake of his funeral. To amass enough money to obtain a decent funeral was calculated, I think at about £2. (Laughter.) These patient and self-denying people amassed enough for that event in our lives. They toiled and spun and spared themselves for that purpose, and, much more than that, they maintained their own aged, their own parents, their own relations. They thought it a shame to take any money from the public, and their spirit of independence is, at least, equal to any spirit of independence that we boast of now. They scorned State assistance; they scorned that any body should maintain their families, but themselves. They gave a little surplus in charity, for there were plenty of recipients in the beggars and tinkers of the road. The nation at large was thrifty, independent, self-respecting at a degree known, perhaps, in no other nation at no other period in the world. (Cheers.)

THE GOVERNMENT'S DUTY.

Enough has been published in the papers about the directors of the sugar manufacturing company to justify criminal proceedings in any Western country, and the spirit of the law to justify criminal proceedings here. The integrity and standing of two great companies is now questioned, the Tokyo Railway Company, subscribed capital 63,000,000 yen, the largest concern in the country, and the Dai Nippon Sugar Manufacturing Company, subscribed capital 14,000,000 yen, the largest industrial concern in the country. Against the former the charge is made of doctoring accounts, of presenting a very optimistic report of business when the petition for municipalisation was sent to the authorities and a very pessimistic one when the petition for increase of fare was preferred; against the latter of malversation of funds enough to send all the directors to prison. In neither case has any action whatever been taken by the public prosecutor. Were these two companies insignificant, nothing more need be said, but they stand for Japanese business before the world. It is the urgent duty of the authorities in Tokyo to show that at least have no doubt as to their course of action. The papers are waking up to their duty, as the quotation at the head of this letter shows, and it is now for the authorities of law and order to act.

SCOTLAND AND THE EMPIRE.

When things were in this impoverished state in Scotland the Scots were a source of terror to their southern countrymen. Only yesterday I lit upon a caricature—an English caricature, I need hardly say—dated 1780, ten years after the time I am speaking of when the current coin was so small in number. The caricature represents a Scotman only half clad—it is quite decorous (laughter)—with his shoes on one shoulder and an essential part of his dress on the other, barefooted, on his way to England, and underneath it was written: "The savage's breeks are on his shoulders." "So plainly seen all beholders. Half starved, half naked, but one alive." Yet by and by he'll ride over you." (Laughter.) Our great grandfather—my great grandfather, at any rate, was living at that time and in possession of his estate—our great grandfather did great things in those days on a mass of potage. They had no more, but with it they helped to mould the Empire. They maintained their poor without legal compulsion (hearken), they sought nothing from external help, and they laid, in their nakedness and their barrenness, the foundations of the prosperity which reigns in Scotland at the present moment. (Cheers.) None of us would care to live as they did. Some of the poorest in our country would shrink from the manner of life of which was endured by some of the nobles in those days. We should not care to share their privations, but we should not be unwilling to be convinced that we possess their independence, their self-reliance, and their self-respect. (Cheers.) Now, on these occasions the mover of the report, as I observe my son did last year, is expected to say a few words upon thrift. Thrift is one of those virtues—there are, perhaps, more than we think—which is much easier to preach about than to practise. To a Scottish audience, our reputation in the world being what it is, it would seem almost like carrying coals to Newcastle to advocate thrift in any shape or form. I will content myself with repeating in the words of Shakespeare—and they comprehend, after all, the whole truth of the matter—that thrift is blessed, not merely because of the accumulation of substance, but because of the foundation and strengthening of character. (Cheers.) Now, I am not anxious to say a great deal on this occasion from the financial point of view. My definition of thrift will be this—getting full value for your money and looking ahead; but, of course, the historic definition which has given us so much comfort and encouragement to thousands is that of Mr. Micawber and I copied out the words last night to be perfectly certain that I should have them right this morning, with the disastrous result that I got so interested in "David Copperfield" that I found it difficult to return to the consideration of thrift. (Laughter.) What did Mr. Micawber say to David Copperfield on a famous occasion? "Annual income £20, annual expenditure £19 19s. 6d.; result, happiness." (Laughter.) "Annual income £20, annual expenditure £20 0s. 6d.; result, misery." (Laughter.) Well, I suppose that is practically true. It means in reality that a man who is beforehand with the world, in however small a degree, occupies a very different position, relatively to the rest of the world, from the man who is behind hand with it to however small an extent. Of course, from the financial point of view of thrift, all know very well that it is the foundation of all opulence and all prosperity, even of those colossal fortunes which we hear of in America but which we never realize in this country. (Laughter.) It is perfectly true, I think, that a man who is beforehand with the world, in however small a degree, is in reality thrifty. Thrift means care, foresight, tenderness for those dependent on you. Whether these qualities produce thrift, or whether they are produced by thrift, I will not venture to say; but, at any rate, of this I am certain, that they are inseparably intertwined. You remember what the last words were of Oliver Goldsmith—one of the greatest geniuses that ever lived in this island. You remember he wrote the "Vicar of Wakefield," that masterpiece which has survived so many masterpieces, he wrote the "Vicar of Wakefield," if I remember aright, to pay off a creditor, his landlady, or another, and he was always in financial difficulties. When he lay dying, some one said to him, "Is your mind at ease?" He replied, "No, it is not." Those were his last recorded words. You may be quite sure that if he had united genius with the world, in however small a degree, to occupy a very different position, relatively to the rest of the world, from the man who is behind hand with it to however small an extent. Of course, from the financial point of view of thrift, all know very well that it is the foundation of all opulence and all prosperity, even of those colossal fortunes which we hear of in America but which we never realize in this country.

THE THRIFT OF EMPERIES.

Now I want to take you to a larger sphere of thrift, and that, after all, is the main point on which I wish to insist to-day. All great Empires that were meant to continue to abide were thrifty. Taking the Roman Empire, which, in some respects, as a central empire, was the greatest in history, it lay like an iron clamp upon the face of the world. It was founded on thrift. When it ceased to be thrifty it degenerated and came to an end. Take the case of Prussia. It began with a little narrow strip of land in the North of Europe—"all sting," as some one said from its shape and the fact that its inhabitants were almost all armed men—and it was nurtured

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W. CHATHAM,
Water Authority.

Public Works Department. Hongkong, 27th January, 1909. [237]

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By Order of the Board of Directors,
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Secretary to the
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Hongkong, 12th January, 1909. [178]

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JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 27th January, 1909. [238]

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For the Board of Directors,

A. SHELTON HOOPER,
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Hongkong, 12th January, 1909. [179]

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